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rush of traffic on account of the commencement of the Open Session of the Indian National Congress at Avadi and also due to the dislocation of traffic in the morning of that day on account of the visit of Marshall Tito to the City and his State Drive through the City. This question has been answered already on many occasions.''

* 1958-B *Q.*—SRI P. RANGASWAMI REDDIAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Finance be pleased to state—

(*a*) whether 21st January 1955 was declared a public holiday in the City to enable the public servants to attend the Congress Session at Avadi; and

(*b*) whether there is any Government Order preventing public servants from identifying themselves with the activities of any political parties?

THE HON. SRI C. SUBRAMANIAM :—'' (*a*) No. Sir, 21st January 1955 was declared a public holiday in the City of Madras as the lower-paid staff in the City of Madras would have found it difficult to reach their offices in time on that day, due to the heavy rush of traffic on account of the commencement of the Open Session of the Indian National Congress at Avadi and also due to the dislocation of traffic in the morning of that day on account of the visit of Marshall Tito to the City and his State Drive through the City.

'' (*b*) According to rule 20 (1) (i) of the Government Servants' Conduct Rules, no Government servant shall take part in, subscribe in aid of, or assist in any way, any political movement in India or relating to Indian affairs.''

Labour trouble in the Neyveli Lignite Mines.

* 1958-C *Q.*—SRI A. GOVINDASWAMI NAYAGAR : Will the Hon. the Minister for Agriculture be pleased to state—

(*a*) the number of labourers arrested recently in the Neyveli Lignite Mines; and

(*b*) the reasons for the arrest?

THE HON. SRI M. BHAKTAVATSALAM :—'' (*a*) Seventy-one, Sir.

'' (*b*) Sixty-nine persons were arrested for laying themselves down before moving vehicles in the Project area and on public roads and for obstruction and two persons designing to commit cognizable offences, were arrested to prevent the commission of the offences.''

Water-supply for Mangalore.

* 1958-D *Q.*—

MR. SPEAKER :—'' As hon. Member Sri K. Ishwara is not in his seat, the question and the answer will be printed in the proceedings.''